

## **OOCC Sets Crop Estimate at 1.8 Million Gallons for 2022/23**

The OOCC Board of Directors has established a pre-season crop estimate of 1.8 million gallons for the 2022/23 season. The estimate is down significantly from the 2021/22 season when just over 3 million gallons were produced by OOCC members, who represent approximately 90 percent of California's olive oil production.

The Board also reviewed and adopted a budget for the OOCC's 2022/23 fiscal year. The assessment rate remains at 16 cents per gallon and is mandatory for producers with 5,000 gallons or more of olive oil per year.

The budget for OOCC expenses was approved at \$416,000 with an additional \$97,848 set aside in reserves. The OOCC expected expenditures breakdown as follows: \$110,000 for the Testing and Sampling Program; \$105,000 for Research; \$38,000 for Outreach and \$160,100 for Administration and Operations.